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Nos. 14-15-01005-CR & 14-15-01006-CR

In the Court of Appeals
For the Fourteenth District of Texas
At Houston

Nos. 1374837 & 1374838 In the 177th District Court Of Harris County, Texas

Nathan Ray Foreman

Appellant

v.

The State of Texas

Appellee

State's First Motion for Extension of Time To File a Brief on the Merits

To the Honorable Court of Criminal Appeals:

The State of Texas asks for an extension of time until April 1 (15 days) to file its brief on the merits. The following facts are relevant.

1. The appellant was indicted for aggravated robbery and aggravated kidnapping. (1 CR 17; 2 CR 15). The indictments con-

¹ For ease of citation, the State will refer to the clerk's records in these cases as though they were sequential volumes. Thus the record for cause 1374837 will be 1

tained an enhancement paragraph alleging that the appellant had a prior felony conviction. (1 CR 17; 2 CR 15). The appellant pleaded not guilty, but a jury found him guilty as charged. (3 RR 27-28; 1 CR 242; 2 CR 256). The appellant pleaded "true" to the enhancements and the trial court assessed punishment at 50 years' confinement for each case, to run concurrently. (1 CR 243; 2 CR 243). The trial court certified the appellant's right of appeal, and the appellant filed a timely notice of appeal for both cases. (1 CR 246, 247; 2 CR 260).

2. On August 10, 2017, a divided panel of the Fourteenth Court affirmed the trial court, with one justice concurring and one justice dissenting. The appellant filed a motion for en banc reconsideration, which was granted. On August 31, 2018, The en banc Fourteenth Court issued a published opinion reversing the trial court. Foreman v. State, 561 S.W.3d 218 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 2018, pet. granted). Two justices dissented. Id. at 245-253 (ops. of Jamison, J., and Donovan, J., dissenting).

CR, and the record for cause 1374838 will be 2 CR. For documents that are in both volumes, the State will cite to 1 CR.

- 3. This Court granted the State's petition for discretionary review on February 13, 2019. The State's brief is due March 15, 2019.
- 4. This is the State's first request for extension.
- 5. Since this Court granted the State's petition on February 13, the undersigned attorney has submitted appellate briefs in three other cases. Additionally, the undersigned attorney has a scheduled oral argument (which he did not request) on March 19, and he is having to use time this week preparing for that.
- 6. The undersigned attorney has two other active cases assigned to him and is attempting to submit briefs in a timely manner.

WHEREFORE, the State asks this Court to grant an extension of time to file its brief for fifteen days, until April 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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